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SUBJECT: US CERTIFICATION OF POLISH PZL-3S AIRCRAFT ENGINES

1. AURELIUSZ MISIOREK, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL CIVIL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, HAS ASKED THE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ASCERTAINING THE LIKELIHOOD OF OBTAINING US CERTIFICATION FOR THE POLISH PEZETEL 3S AIRCRAFT ENGINE IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

2. MISIOREK SHOWED AN EMBASSY OFFICER COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE WITH FAA BRUSSELS CONCERNING THIS QUESTION, INCLUDING HIS LAST LETTER OF MARCH 11 TO MR. JACOBSON. HE SAID THAT THE LACK OF AN OVERHAUL MANUAL FOR THE ENGINE SEEMED TO BE THE ONLY MATTER HOLDING UP THE POLISH REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION. MISIOREK EXPLAINED THAT AN OVERHAUL MANUAL WAS NOT REQUIRED AT THE TIME THE CCAA CERTIFIED THE PZL-ES. HE SAID SUCH A MANUAL IS NOW BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE READY IN SEPTEMBER, 1977. HE HOPED THAT THE POLISH REQUEST FOR US CERTIFICATION COULD BE ACTED ON BEFORE THAT TIME, PREFERABLY
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IN MAY OR JUNE. HE SAID THE FLIGHT HISTORY OF THE ENGINE WAS EXCELLENT AND THE MANUAL WOULD BE COMPLETED WELL BEFORE ANY ENGINES SOLD IN THE US HAD REGISTERED SUFFICIENT FLIGHT TIME TO REQUIRE AN OVERHAUL GUIDE.

3. MISIOREK EMPHASIZED THAT HE IN NO WAY WAS TRYING TO PRESSURE FAA ON THE POLISH REQUEST FOR

CERTIFICATION. HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE, HOWEVER, THAT MINOR MATTERS (WHICH HE CONSIDERS THE OVERHAUL MANUAL TO BE) DO NOT SPOIL THE "EXCELLENT ATMOSPHERE FOR COOPERATION" CREATED BY THE SIGNING OF THE US-POLISH AIRWORTHINESS AGREEMENT. MISIOREK SAID HIS MEETINGS WITH FAA BRUSSELS IN JANUARY HAD BEEN VERY HELFUL AND HE WAS WILLING TO GO TO BRUSSELS FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS. HE ASKED WHETHER FAA BRUSSELS WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH HIM FOR ONE OR TWO DAYS SOME TIME WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

4. WE TOLD MISIOREK THAT WE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER FAA REGULATIONS REQUIRED OVERHAUL MANUALS BEFORE ISSUING US CERTIFICATIONS. WE SAID WE WOULD DEFINITELY URGE AS PROMPT CONSIDERATION OF THE POLISH REQUEST AS POSSIBLE. WE TOLD HIM ALSO THAT WE STILL REGARD THE AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY AS ONE OF THE MAJOR SECTORS FOR INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. FAA'S CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, WE SAID, ARE APPLIED EQUALLY TO ALL PARTIES AND IN NO WAY REFLECT ANY LACK OF DESIRE FOR COOPERATION IN THIS AREA.

5. MISIOREK SAID THE CCAA COULD ACCEPT THE PRINCIPLES OF CERTIFICATION PROPOSED BY FAA BRUSSELS IN THE "VALIDATION PROCEDURES" (AEU-100) MEMORANDUM GIVEN HIM DURING THE JANUARY CONSULTATIONS. HE SAID THERE WERE STILL QUESTIONS OF INTERPRETATION ON SOME PARTS OF THE MEMORANDUM, HOWEVER.

6. MISIOREL SAID HE WANTED TO COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROCEDURE FOR THE PZL-3S BEFORE REQUESTING CONSIDERATION OF OTHER POLISH PRODUCTS. HE HOPED TO BE BE ABLE TO REQUEST FORMALLY CERTIFICATION OF THE JANTAR GLIDERS "IN ABOUT TWO MONTHS". HE SAID THE CCAA WOULD PROBABLY CERTIFY THE FRANKLIN ENGINE IN LATE 1977, BUT THE SIZE OF THE THIRD-COUNTRY MARKET FOR THE FRANKLIN ENGINE MIGHT LEAD THE POLES TO POSTPONE A REQUEST FOR US CERTIFICATION. HE DID NOT THINK THE CCAA WOULD BE READY TO PROPOSE CERTIFICATION OF LIGHT AIRCRAFT THIS YEAR. HE ADDED THAT PEZETEL HAD MADE NO SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO THE CCAA FOR EXPORT OF HELICOPTERS TO THE US. THE CCAA, THEREFORE, WILL PROBABLY NOT ASK TO HAVE HELICOPTERS ADDED TO THE AIRWORTHINESS AGREEMENT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

7. COMMENT: MISIOREL WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM FAA BRUSSELS BY APRIL 15 CONCERNING THE TIMING OF HIS POSSIBLE CONSULTATIONS THERE. WE ARE OF COURSE NOT FAMILIAR WITH FAA'S CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING THE OVERHAUL MANUAL. WE RECALL

THAT POLISH AIRCRAFT-CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES ARE
MODELED VERY CLOSELY ON BRITISH STANDARDS. WE
THEREFORE HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MAJOR PROBLEM IN
US CERTIFICATION, AND THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR
THE POLES TO SELL THE ENGINES IN THE US THIS SUMMER.
IF SO, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO USE THIS EXAMPLE OF OUR SUPPORT
OFR US-POLISH TRADE TO GOOD ADVANTAGE DURING OUR FREQUENT
CONVERSATION WITH GOP OFFICIALS ON QUESTIONS OF BILATERAL
TRADE. END COMMENT.
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